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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c) in the above-referenced matter is a form PTO-1449 together with copies of the references listed therein. Applicants state that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement herein was cited in a communication from a foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. If any questions remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the undersigned attorney at (713)-270-5391.

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